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## Unified Governance receives approval of UCC boards, **Executive Council**

Following a year of deliberation, including discernment and dialog from congregations, Conferences and interest groups, a "Proposal for Unified Governance of the National Setting of the United Church of Christ" was delivered by the Unified Governance (UGov) Working Group and has received approval to proceed from the UCC's Executive Council and the boards of the four Covenanted Ministries



# A Time of Thanks

This fall season you will see members of the Capital Campaign Steering Committee traveling the highways of the Southeast Conference. They are stopping by and worshipping with the churches who have already made their pledge and commitment to the Transforming Churches-Transforming Lives Campaign. Representing the Conference, they are making a short appreciation presentation and awarding each pledging church with a framed plaque. We have currently 12 churches who have made their pledge with several more promising a commitment by Thanksgiving. Thank you to Bob Watson, Ginnie Nixon, Barbara Everett and Tim Downs for helping me make these first round visits!

Ginnie Nixon had the pleasure of awarding Deer Lodge Congreagational Church United Church of Christ a plaque of appreciation on October 17th. Deer Lodge was



one of the very first congregations to make their pledge to the campaign. Here's what Ginnie had to say about her visit there.....

On a lovely fall day, I had the pleasure of visiting our friends at Deer Lodge Congregational Church, UCC, a small church that has been serving this rural community on the Cumberland Plateau since it was a thriving coal-mining center. This multi-generational family church has already paid its pledge of \$5,000 to the Transforming Churches; Transforming Lives Campaign. I was greeted warmly by Moderator Farrell Kennedy and Pastor Rose Hermanot who both expressed their support for the mission and ministry of the Southeast Conference and their appreciation of both the award and my visit. The warm welcome from all the congregation confirmed the message "Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here" which was displayed on the traditional church sign in front of the building and printed in the Sunday bulletin.

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